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DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY)

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL EDUCATION)

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS)

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SCIENCE)

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BIOLOGY)

SCH 102: ORGANIC CHEMISTRY I

DATE: 2/5/2019

TIME: 2.00-4.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- The paper consists of **two** sections.
- Section **A** is **compulsory** (30 marks).
- Answer any **two** questions from section **B** (each 20 marks).

SECTION A - COMPULSORY.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

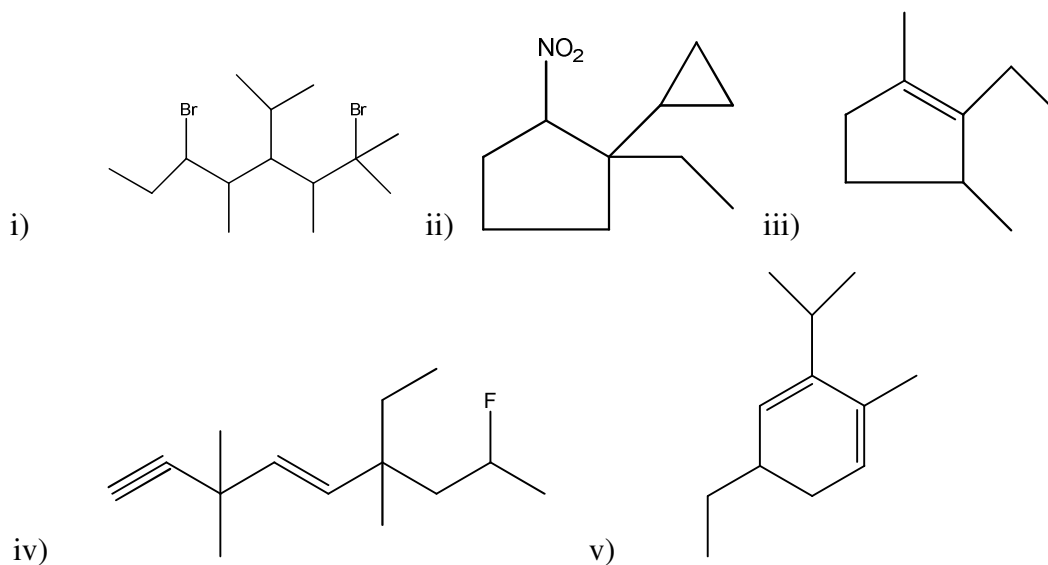
- a) Monosodium glutamate (MSG) has sometimes been suspected as the cause of “Chinese restaurant syndrome” because this food-flavour enhancer can induce headaches and chest pains. MSG has the following composition by mass; 35.51% carbon, 4.77% Hydrogen, 37.85% Oxygen, 8.29% Nitrogen and 13.60% Sodium. Its molar mass is 169 g/mol. Determine its:

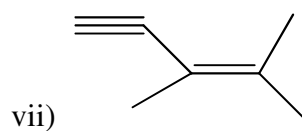
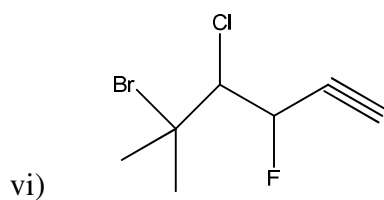
- Empirical formula (3 marks)
- Molecular formula (2 marks)

- b) Draw the structures of the following named compounds:

- 1-ethyl-3-floro-2-isopropylcyclohexane
- 2-bromo-5-ethyl-2,2-dimethyl-4-nitrooctane
- 2,3,4-trimethyl-1,3-hexadiene
- 5-methyl-1,3-cyclohexadiene
- 3-bromo-2-hepten-4-yne
- 3-ethyl-2-nonene
- 1-ethyl-3,3-dimethylcyclopentene (7 marks)

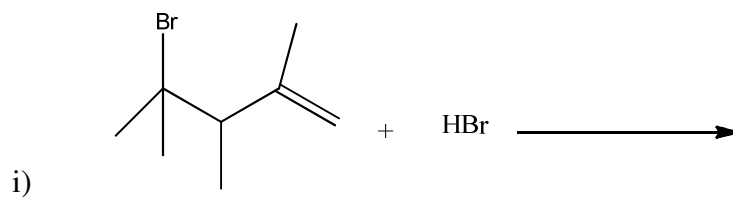
- c) Provide the IUPAC names for the following structures:



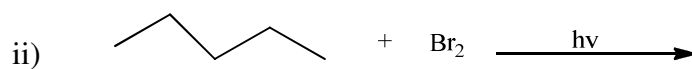


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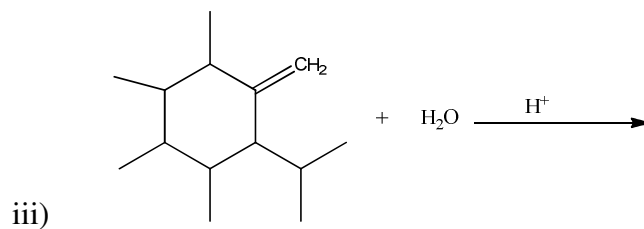
- d) Provide the product(s) of each of the following reactions (more than one product may be formed).



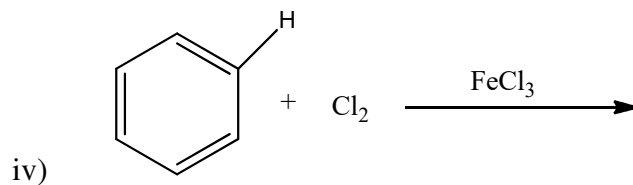
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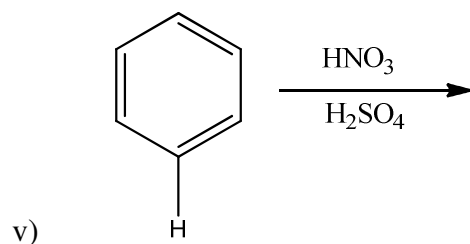
(2 marks)



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- e) Heptane has a higher boiling point than 3-methylhexane and 2,2-dimethylpentane. Explain

(3 marks)

SECTION B

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

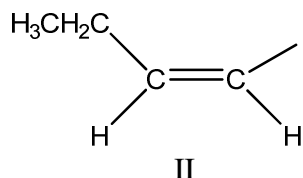
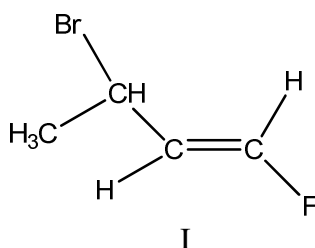
QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

a) Draw the structural formulae for the following molecules.

- Meta*-nitrophenol
- 3-phenyloctane
- Ortho*-methyltoluene
- 2,5-dibromobenzoic acid

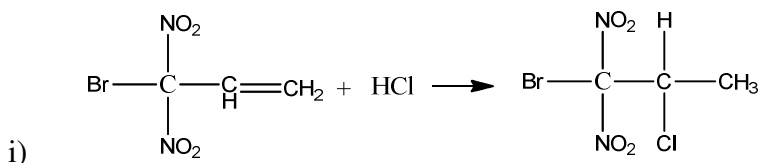
(4 marks)

b) By assigning *cis* and *trans* name the following structures

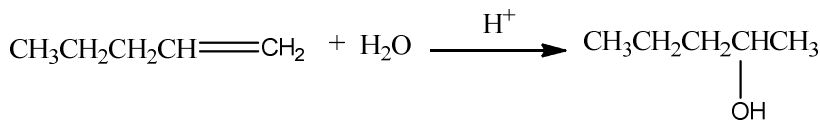


(2 marks)

c) Using curly arrows, show the mechanism for the reactions given below:



(4 marks)



(4 marks)

d) Describe simple chemical tests that would distinguish between:

- Butane and 1-butene
- 1-butyne and 1-butene

(3 marks)

(3 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a)
- Define the term isomerism
 - Provide the structures and names of two constitutional isomers of C_5H_{12}

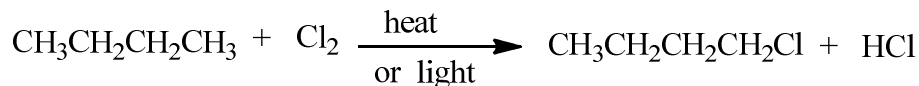
(1 mark)

(2 marks)

- b)
- Define the term chain reaction

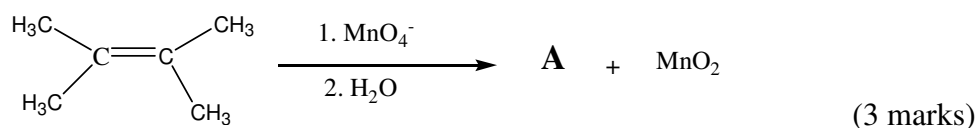
(1 mark)

- ii) The reaction below proceeds by a mechanism similar to that of chlorination of methane.



Write the equations for the chain-initiating, chain-propagating and chain-terminating steps for the above reaction. (3 marks)

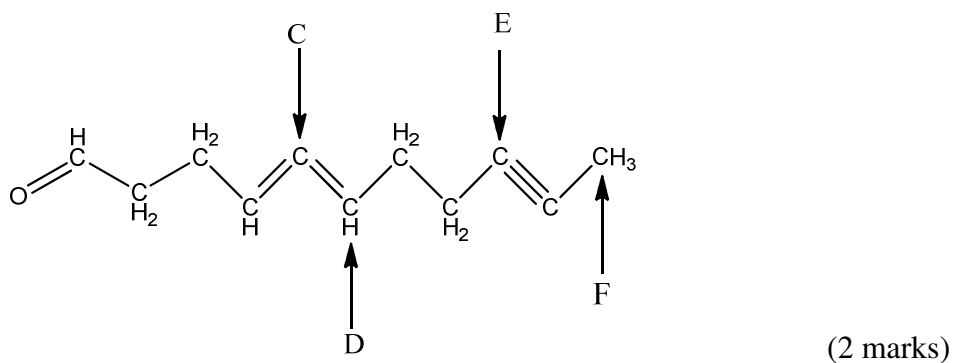
- c) 2,3-dimethylbut-2-ene reacts with cold dilute potassium permanganate to produce compound A as shown below. Write down the structural formula of A and show the reaction mechanism involved.



- d) i) Distinguish between $\text{S}_{\text{N}}1$ and $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$ reactions (2 marks)
 ii) Explain four factors that influence the rates of $\text{S}_{\text{N}}1$ and $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$ reactions (8 marks)

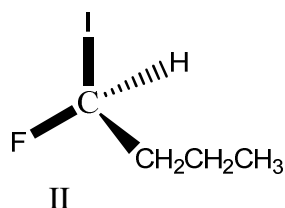
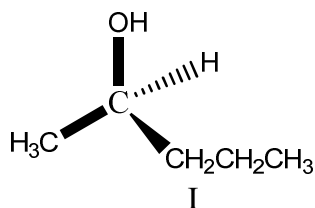
QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Distinguish the following terms:
- Nucleophile and electrophile
 - E1 and E2 reactions (4 marks)
- b) Identify the type of hybridization for each of the following labeled carbon atoms in the following structure.



- c) i) Define a functional group (1 mark)
 ii) Write the functional group of esters, ethers, carboxylic acids, ketones and aldehydes (5 marks)

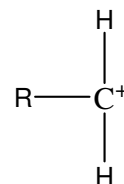
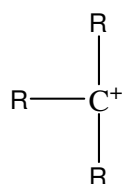
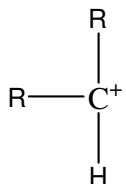
- iii) An alcohol and ether have the same molecular formula C_2H_6O . Draw their structural formula and indicate their functional groups. (2 marks)
- d) i) Differentiate between a chiral carbon and achiral carbon (2 marks)
- ii) Using the (S) and (R) configurations, name the following compounds:



(4 marks)

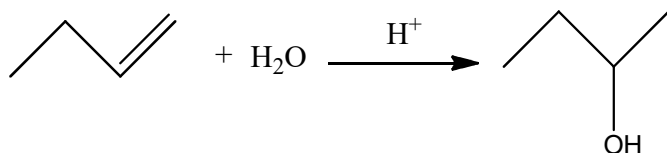
QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms as used in organic chemistry:
- Carbocation
 - Catenation
 - Markovnikov's rule
 - Enantiomers
 - Regioselective reaction
 - Chiral molecule
- (6 marks)
- b) Given that R in the following carbocations represents alkyl groups. Arrange the carbocations in order of stability starting with the least stable. Briefly explain the order.



(4 marks)

- c) Butene react with water in the presence of sulphuric acid to produce 2-butanol as the major product as shown below. Show the reaction mechanism for the reaction.



(4 marks)

- d) Complete the following reactions by giving the structures of the missing products:

